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BETWEEN

Mr. Chauncy, &c.

AND

Mr. Williams, &c.

WHereas ſome *Differences* have of late ariſen, occaſioned by a *Book* written by Mr. *Williams* Intituled *Goſpel* Truths ſtated, and vindicated*, and by certain *Books* written by Mr. *Chauncy*, in oppoſition thereto; and by an Approbation of divers of us prefixed to Mr. *Williams* his Book, and by a Paper ſubſcribed by Mr. *Griffith*,

* Wherein Doctor *Criſp's* Works reprinted are conſidered.]

Mr. *Cole*, Mr. *Mather*, Mr. *Trayle.* and Mr. *Ri. Taylor*, in conjunction with Mr. *Chauncy*, expreſſing their Diſſatisfaction therein.

1. It is hereby reſpectively declared, That neither they, who ſubſcribed that Approbation prefixed to Mr. *Williams* his Book, did therein more than ſignifie (as their own words expreſs) *that they judged he had in all that was material, fully, and rightly ſtated the Truths and Errors therein mentioned as ſuch,* without delivering their ſenſe about the *Preface, Explications,* or *Proofs* thereto belonging, which Declaration is not to be eſteemed as a Diſapproval of the ſaid Preface, Explications, or Proofs: Nor they, who with Mr. *Chauncy,* ſubſcribed the aboveſaid Paper, did therein offer any particular Exceptions againſt the ſaid ſtate of Truths, and Errors, which yet is not to be underſtood as an Approval of that State of Truth, and Errors.

2. That in order to the more effectual Compoſing of matters in Controverſie, we all of us, having referr'd our ſelves to the *Holy Scriptures,* and the *Doctrinal Articles of the Church of* England, *the* Weſtminſter, *and* Savoy *Confeſſions, the Larger, and Shorter Catechiſms,* do ſubſcribe theſe following *Propoſitions,* as what do

do moſt fully provide againſt the *Arminian*, *Antinomian*, *Socinian*, and *Popiſh* Errors; and ſhall always be content, that any Sermons or Books of ours be interpreted by the ſaid Articles, and Confeſſions; deſiring all others, if they meet with any expreſſions from any of us, that are to them of Doubtful ſignification, they would judge of them, and interpret them by the Holy Scriptures, and ſaid Articles and Confeſſions.

1. *Of the Fall of Man, of Sin, and of the Puniſhment thereof.*

1. OUR Firſt Parents being ſeduced by the Subtilty and Temptation of Satan, ſinn'd in eating the Forbidden Fruit. (*a*) This their Sin God was pleaſed according to his Wiſe and Holy Counſel to permit, having purpoſed to order it to his own Glory. (*b*)

(*a*) Gen. 3. 13. 2 Cor. 11. 3.

(*b*) Rom. 11. 32.

2. By this Sin they fell from their *Original Righteouſneſs*, and Communion with God, (*c*) and ſo became Dead in Sin, (*d*) and wholly defiled in all the Faculties and Parts of the Soul and Body. (*e*)

(*c*) Gen. 3. 6, 7, 8. Eccleſ. 7. 29.
(*d*) Gen. 2. 17. Epheſ. 2. 1.
(*e*) Tit. 1. 15. Gen. 6. 5. Jer. 17. 9.

3. They being the Root of all Mankind the Guilt

Rom. 3. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18.

) Gen. 1. 27, 28. Gen. 2. 16, 17. Acts 17. 26. Rom. 5. 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19. 1 Cor. 15. 21, 22, 45 49. (g) Psal. 51. 5. Gen. 5. 3. Job 14. 4. Job 15. 14. (h) 1 Joh. 3. 4. (i) Rom. 2. 15. Rom. 3. 9. 19. (k) Eph. 2. 3. (l) Gal. 3. 10. (m) Rom. 6. 23. (n) Eph. 4. 18. (o) Rom. 8. 20. Lam. 3. 39.

Guilt of this Sin was imputed, (*f*) and the same Death in Sin and Corrupted Nature conveyed to all their Posterity descending from them by ordinary Generation. (*g*)

4. Every Sin, both *Original*, and *Actual*, being a Transgression of the Righteous Law of God, and contrary thereunto (*h*) doth in its own Nature bring Guilt upon the Sinner, (*i*) whereby he is bound over to the Wrath of God, (*k*) and Curse of the Law, (*e*) and so made subject to Death, (*m*) with all Miseries, Spiritual, (*n*) Temporal, (*o*) and Eternal. (*p*) *Assemb. Confession, Chap. 6. Sect. 1, 2, 3, 6.*

(*f*) Matth. 25. 41. 2 Thes. 1. 9.

II. Of God's Covenant with Man.

(*a*) Gal. 3. 12. (*b*) Rom. 10. 5. Rom. 5. from 12. to 20. (*c*) Gen. 2. 17. Gal. 3. 10.

1. THE First Covenant made with Man, was a Covenant of Works, (*a*) wherein Life was promised to *Adam*, and in him to his Posterity, (*b*) upon condition of Perfect, and Personal Obedience. (*c*)

(*d*) Gal. 3. 21. Rom. 8. 3. Rom. 3. 20, 21. Gen. 3. 15. Isa. 42. 6.

2. Man by his Fall, having made himself incapable of Life by that Covenant, the Lord was pleas'd to make a second, (*d*) commonly call'd the Covenant of Grace, wherein he freely offereth unto Sinners, Life and Salvation by Jesus

Jeſus Chriſt, requiring of them Faith in Him, that they may be ſaved, (e) and promiſing to give unto all thoſe that are Ordained unto Life his Holy Spirit, making them willing and able to believe. (f) (*hap. 7. Sect. 2, 3.*

(e) Mark 16. 15, 16. John 3. 16. Rom. 10.69 Gal. 3. 11.

(f) Ezek. 36. 26, 27 Joh. 6 44, 45.

3. This Covenant of Grace was made with Chriſt, as the Second *Adam*, and in Him with all the Elect as his Seed. (g) *Larger Catechiſm.*

(g) Gal. 3. 16. Rom. 5. 15.

4. The Grace of God is manifeſted in the Second Covenant, in that he freely provideth and offereth to Sinners a Mediator, (h) and Life and Salvation by Him (i) and requiring Faith as the *Condition* to Intereſt them in Him, (k) promiſeth and giveth his Holy Spirit (l) to all his Elect, to work in them that Faith, with all other Saving Graces, (m) and to enable them unto all Holy Obedience, (n) as the Evidence of the Truth of their Faith (o) and Thankfulneſs to God, (p) and as the way which he hath appointed them to Salvation, (q) *Larger Catechiſm.*

Iſa. 53. 10, 11.

(h) Gen. 3. 15. Iſa. 42. 6. John 6. 27.

(i) 1 John 5. 11, 12.

(k) Joh. 3, 16.

(l) Joh. 1. 12. Prov. 1. 23.

(m) Gal. 5. 22, 23.

(n) Ezek. 36. 37.

(o) Jam. 2. 18, 22.

(p) 2 Cor. 5. 14, 15.

(q) Eph. 2. 10.

III. Of Chriſt the Mediator.

1. IT pleaſed God in his Eternal Purpoſe to Chuſe and Ordain the Lord Jeſus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between

(a) Isa 42. 1. 1. Pet. 1. 19, 20. John 3. 16. 1 Tim. 2 5. (b) Act. 3. 22 (c) Heb. 5 5 6. (d) Psal. 2 6. Luke 1. 33. (e) Eph. 5. 23. (f) Heb. 1. 2. (g) Acts 17. 31. (h) Joh. 17. 6. Psal. 22. 30. Isa. 53. 10. (i) 1 Tim. 2 6. Isa. 55. 4, 5. 1 Cor. 1. 30. (k) Rom. 5. 19. Heb. 9. 14, 16. Heb. 10. 14. Ephes. 5. 2. Rom. 3. 25, 26. (l) Dan. 9. 24, 26.

tween God and Man, (*a*) the Prophet, (*b*) Priest, (*c*) and King, (*d*) the Head and Saviour of the Church, (*e*) the Heir of all things, (*f*) and Judge of the World, (*g*) unto whom he did from all Eternity give a People to be his Seed (*h*) and to be by Him in time Redeemed, Called, Justified, Sanctified and Glorified. (*i*)

2. The Lord Jesus by his Perfect Obedience and Sacrifice of Himself, which He through the Eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, hath fully satisfied the Justice of his Father, (*k*) and purchased not only Reconciliation, but an Everlasting Inheritance in the Kingdom of Heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto Him. (*l*)

Col. 1. 19, 20, Ephes. 1. 11, 14. John 17. 2. Heb. 9. 12, 15.

(p) Joh. 6. 37, 39. John 10. 15, 16. (q) 1 John 2. 1, 2. Rom. 8. 34. (r) John 15. 13, 15. Eph. 1. 7, 8, 9. John 17. 6.

3. To all those for whom Christ hath purchased Redemption, he doth certainly and effectually apply and communicate the same, (*p*) making Intercession for them, (*q*) and Revealing unto them in, and by the Word, the Mysteries of Salvation, (*r*) effectually perswading them by his Spirit, to believe and obey, and governing their Hearts by his Word and Spirit, (*s*)

(s) John 14. 6. Heb. 12. 2. 2 Cor. 4. 13. Rom. 8. 9, 14. Rom. 15. 18, 19. John 17. 17.

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overcoming all their Enemies by his Almighty Power and Wiſdom, in ſuch manner and ways as are moſt conſonant to his wonderful and unſearchable Diſpenſations. (t) *Chap.* 8. *Sect.* 1, 5, 8.

(t) Pſa. 110. 1. 1 Cor. 15. 25, 26. Mal. 4. 2, 3. Col. 2. 15.

IV. Of Effectual Calling.

1. THE Spirit applieth to us the Redemption purchaſed by Chriſt, by working Faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Chriſt in our Effectual Calling. *Shorter Catechiſm.*

2. All thoſe whom God hath predeſtinated unto Life, and thoſe only he is pleaſed in his appointed and accepted Time, effectually to call (*a*) by his Word and Spirit (*b*) out of the ſtate of Sin and Death, in which they are by Nature, to Grace and Salvation by Jeſus Chriſt; (*c*) enlightning their Minds, ſpiritually and ſavingly to underſtand the things of God, (*d*) taking away their heart of ſtone, and giving unto them an heart of fleſh, (*e*) renewing their Wills, and by his Almighty Power determining them to that which is good, (*f*) and effectually drawing them to Jeſus Chriſt; (*g*) yet ſo as they come moſt freely, being made willing by this Grace. (*h*)

(a) Rom. 8. 30. Rom. 11. 7. Eph. 1. 10, 11. (b) 2 Theſ. 2. 13, 14. 2 Cor. 3. 3, 6. (c) Rom. 8. 2. Epheſ. 2. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. 2 Tim. 1. 9, 10. (d) Act. 26. 18. 1 Cor. 2. 10, 12. Eph. 1. 17, 18. (e) Ezek. 36. 26. (f) Ezek. 11. 19. Phil. 2. 13. Deut. 30. 6. Ezek. 36. 27. (g) Epheſ. 1. 19. John 6. 44, 45. (h) Cant. 1. 4. Pſal. 110. 3. John 6. 37. Rom. 6. 16, 17, 18.

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3. This Effectual Call is of God's free and special Grace alone, not from any thing at all foreseen in Man, (*i*) who is altogether passive therein, until being quickned and renewed by the Holy Spirit, (*k*) he is thereby enabled to answer this Call, and embrace the Grace offered and conveyed in it. (*l*) *Chap.* 10. *Sect.* 1, 2.

(*i*) 2 Tim. 1. 9. Tit. 3. 4, 5. Eph. 2. 4, 5, 8, 9. Rom. 9. 11.
(*k*) 1 Cor. 2. 14. Rom. 8. 7. Ephes. 2. 5.
(*l*) Joh. 6. 37. Ezek. 36. 27, John 5. 25.

V. Of Justification, Faith, and Repentance.

1. THose whom God Effectually calleth, he also freely justifieth, (*a*) not by infusing Righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting their Persons as Righteous; not for any thing wrought in them, but for Christ's sake alone; nor by imputing Faith it self the Act of Believing, or any other Evangelical Obedience to them, as their Righteousness; but by imputing the Obedience and Satisfaction of Christ unto them, (*b*) they receiving and resting on Him, and his Righteousness by Faith, which Faith they have not of themselves, it is the Gift of God. (*c*) *Chap.* 11. *Sect.* 1.

(*a*) Rom. 8. 30. Rom. 3. 24.
(*b*) Rom. 4. 5, 6, 7, 8. 2 Cor. 5. 19, 21. Rom. 3. 22, 24, 25, 27, 28. Tit. 3. 5, 7. Ephes. 1. 7. Jer. 23. 6. 1 Cor. 1. 30, 31. Rom. 5. 17, 18, 19.
(*c*) Act. 10. 44. Gal. 2. 16. Phil. 3. 9. Act. 13. 38, 39. Eph. 2. 7, 8.

2. By this Faith a Christian believeth to be true, whatsoever is Revealed in the Word, for the

the Authority of God Himſelf, ſpeaking therein, *e* and acteth differently upon that which each particular paſſage containeth, yielding Obedience to the Commands, *f* trembling at the Threatnings, *g* embracing the Promiſes of God for this Life and that which is to come. *h* But the principal acts of Saving Faith are, accepting, receiving, and reſting upon Chriſt alone for Juſtification, Sanctification, and Eternal Life by virtue of the Covenant of Grace. *i* *Chap.* 14. *Sect.* 2.

e Joh. 4. 42. 1 Theſ. 2. 13. 1 John 5. 10. Acts 24. 14.
f Rom. 16. 26.
g Iſa. 66. 2.
h Heb. 11. 13. 1 Tim. 4. 8.
i Joh. 1. 12. Acts 16. 32. Gal. 2. 20. Acts 15. 11.

3. Faith thus receiving and reſting on Chriſt and his Righteouſneſs, is the alone Inſtrument of Juſtification, *k* yet it is not alone in the Perſon Juſtified, but is ever accompanied with all other Saving Graces, and is no dead Faith, but worketh by Love. * *Chap.* 11. *Sect.* 2.

k John 1. 12. Rom. 3. 3. to 28. Rom. 5. 1.
* Jam. 2. 17, 22, 26. Gal. 5. 6.

4. God did from all Eternity decree to Juſtifie all the Elect, *l* and Chriſt did in the Fulneſs of Time die for their Sins, and riſe again for their Juſtification; *m* nevertheleſs they are not Juſtified until the Holy Spirit doth in due Time actually apply Chriſt unto them. *n* *Chap.* 11. *Sect.* 4.

l Gal. 3. 8. 1 Pet. 1. 2, 19, 20. Rom. 8. 30.
m Gal. 4. 4. 1 Gal. 2. 6. Rom. 4. 25.
n Col. 1. 21, 22. Gal. 2. 16. Acts 13. 38, 39. Tit. 3. 4, 5, 6, 7.

5. That we may eſcape the Wrath and Curſe of God due to us by reaſon of the Tranſgreſſion of the Law, he requireth of us Repentance

towards God, Faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ, *c* and the diligent use of the Outward Means, whereby Christ communicateth to us the Benefits of his Mediation. *d Larger Catechism.*

c Acts 20. 21. Matth. 3. 7,8. Act. 16. 30,31 Joh. 3. 16,18. *d* Prov. 2. 1,5. cap. 8. 33. 35. Isa. 55. 3.

6. Repentance unto Life is an Evangelical Grace, *a* the Doctrine whereof is to be Preach'd by every Minister of the Gospel, as well as that of Faith in Christ. *b Chap.* 15. *Sect.* 1. Altho' Repentance be not to be rested in as any satisfaction for sin, nor any cause of the pardon thereof, *c* which is the act of God's Free Grace in Christ; *d* yet it is of such necessity to all sinners, that none can expect pardon without it. *e Chap* 15. *Sect.* 3, 4. As there is no sin so small but it deserves damnation; *f* so there is no sin so great that it can bring damnation upon those who truly repent. *g*

a Ezek. 12. 10. Acts 11. 18. *b* Luk. 24. 47. Mark 1. 15. Acts 20. 21. *c* Ezek. 36. 31, 32. Ezek. 16. 61, 62, 63. *d* Hos. 14. 2,4. Ephes. 1. 7. *e* Luk. 13. 3,5. Act. 17. 30,31 *f* Rom. 6. 23. Rom. 5. 12. Matth. 12. 36. *g* Isa. 55. 7. Rom. 8. 1. Isa. 1. 16,18.

7. God doth continue to forgive the sins of those that are justified; *o* and although they can never fall from the state of Justification; *p* yet they may by their sins fall under God's fatherly displeasure, and not have the light of his Countenance restored unto them till they humble themselves, confess their sins, beg pardon

o Matth. 6. 12. 1 Joh. 1. 7,9. 1 John 2. 1,2. *p* Luke 22. 32. 2 Joh. 10. 28. Heb. 10. 14.

don, and renew their Faith and Repentance *q*. *Chap.* 11. *Sect.* 5.

q Pſal. 89. 31, 32, 33. Pſal. 51. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 Pſal. 32. 5. Matth. 26. 75. 1 Cor. 11. 30, 32. Luk. 1. 20.

VI. Of Good Works.

1. MAN by his Fall into a ſtate of ſin hath wholly loſt all ability of will to any ſpiritual good accompanying Salvation, *d* ſo as a natural man being altogether averſe from that good, *e* and dead in ſin, *f* is not able by his own ſtrength to convert himſelf, or prepare himſelf thereto *g* *Ch.* 9. *Sect.* 3.

d Rom. 5. 6. Rom. 8. 7. e John 15. 5. Rom. 3 10, 12. f Eph. 2. 1, 5. Col. 2. 13.

2. Works done by unregenerate men, altho' for the matter of them they may be things which God commands, and of good uſe both to themſelves and others; *y* yet becauſe they proceed not from a heart purified by Faith, *z* nor are done in a right manner according to the Word, *a* nor to a right end, the glory of God, *b* they are therefore ſinful, and cannot pleaſe God, or make a man meet to receive Grace from God; *c* yet their neglect of them is more ſinful and diſpleaſing unto God. *d* *Ch.* 16. *Sect.* 7.

g John 6. 44, 65. Eph. 2. 2, 3, 4, 5. 1 Cor. 2 14. Tit. 3. 3, 4, 5. y 2 King. 10. 30, 31. 1 King. 21. 27, 29. Phil. 1. 15, 16, 18. z Gen. 4, 5. Heb. 11. 4, 6. a Cor. 13. 3. Iſa. 1. 12. b Mat. 6. 2, 5, 16. c Hag. 2. 14. Tit. 1. 15. Amos 5. 21, 22. Hoſ. 1. 4.

Rom. 9. 16. Tit. 3. 5. *d* Pſal. 14. 4. Pſal. 36. 3. Job 21. 14, 15. Matth. 25. 41, 42, 43, 44, 45. Matth. 23. 23.

3. Good works are only ſuch as God hath commanded in his holy Word, *a* and not ſuch

a Mich. 6. 8. Rom. 12. 2. Heb. 13. 21.

as without the warrant thereof are deviſed by men out of blind Zeal, or upon any pretence of good intention. *b Ch. 16. Sect. 1.*

b Matth. 15. 9 Iſa. 29. 13. 1 Pet. 1. 18. Rom. 10. 2. John 16. 2. 1 Sam. 15. 21, 22, 23.

4. Theſe good works done in obedience to God's Commandments, are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively Faith. *c* and by them Believers manifeſt their thankfulneſs, *d* ſtrengthen their aſſurance, *e* edifie their Brethren, *f* adorn the Profeſſion of the Goſpel, *g* ſtop the mouths of Adverſaries, *h* and glorifie God, *i* whoſe workmanſhip they are, created in Chriſt Jeſus thereunto; *k* that having their fruit unto holineſs, they may have the end everlaſting life. *l Ch. 16. Sect. 2.*

c Jam. 2. 18, 22. d Pſa 116. 12, 13. 1 Pet. 2 9. e 1 Joh. 1. 3, 5. 1 Pet. 1. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. f 2 Cor. 9. 2. Matth. 5. 16. g Tit. 2 5, 9, 10, 11, 12. 1 Tim. 6. 1. h 1 Pet. 2. 15. i 1 Pet. 2. 12. Phil. 1. 11. John 15. 8. k Eph. 2. 10. l Rom. 6. 22.

5. The Perſons of Believers being accepted through Chriſt, their good works alſo are accepted in him; *u* not as though they were in this life wholly unblameable and unreprovable in God's ſight; *w* but that he looking upon them in his Son, is pleaſed to accept, and reward that which is ſincere, tho' accompanied with many weakneſſes and imperfections. *x Ch. 16. Sect. 6.*

u Eph. 1. 16. 1 Pet. 2. 5. Exod. 28. 38. Gen. 4. 4. Heb. 11. 4. w Job 9. 20. Pſal. 143. 2. x Heb. 13. 20, 21. 2 Cor. 8. 12. Heb. 6. 10. Matth. 25 21, 23.

VII. Of

VII. Of the Perſeverance of Saints.

1. THey whom God hath accepted in the Beloved, effectually called, and ſanctified by his Holy Spirit, can neither totally, nor finally fall away from the ſtate of Grace; but ſhall certainly perſevere to the end, and be eternally ſaved. *a*

2. This Perſeverance of the Saints, depends not on their own Free will, but upon the Immutability of the Decree of Election, flowing from the free and unchangeable Love of God the Father; *b* upon the Efficacy of the Merit and Interceſſion of Jeſus Chriſt, *c* the abiding of the Spirit, and of the Seed of God within them; *d* and the Nature of the Covenant of Grace; *e* from all which ariſeth alſo the certainty and infallibility thereof. *f*

3. Nevertheleſs, they may, through the Temptations of Satan and the World, the prevalency of Corruption remaining in them, and the neglect of the means of their Preſervation, fall into grievous Sins; *g* and for a time continue therein; *h* whereby they incur God's Diſpleaſure, *i* and grieve the Holy Spirit; *k* come to be deprived of ſome meaſure of their Graces

a Phil. 1. 6. 2 Pet. 1. 10. Joh. 10. 28. 29 1 John 3. 9. 1 Pet. 1. 5, 9.

b 2 Tim. 2 18, 19. Jer. 31. 3. *c* Heb. 10 10, 14. Heb. 13. 20, 21. Heb. 9. 12, 13. 14, 15. Rom. 8. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39. John 17. 11, 24. Luke 22. 32. Heb. 7. 25. *d* Joh. 14 16, 17. 1 Joh. 2. 27. 1 John 3. 9. *e* Jer. 32. 40. *f* Joh. 10 28. 2 Theſ. 3. 3. 1 John 2. 19.

g Mat. 26. 70. 72, 74. *h* Pſa. 51. title, and v. 14. *i* Iſa. 64. 5, 7, 9, 2 Sam. 11. 27. *k* Eph. 4. 30.

Graces and Comforts, *l* have their Hearts hardened, *m* and their Conſciences wounded, *n* hurt and ſcandalize others, *o* and bring Temporal Judgments on themſelves. *p* *Chap.* 17. *Sect.* 1, 2, 3.

l Pſal. 51. 8, 10, 12. Rev. 2. 4. Cant. 5. 2, 3, 4, 5. *m* Iſa. 63. 17. Mark 6. 52. Mark 16. 14. *n* Pſal. 37. 3, 4. Pſal. 51. 8. *o* 2 Sam. 12. 14. Pſa. 89. 31, 32. 1 Cor. 11. 32.

VIII. Of the Moral Law.

1. THE Moral Law doth for ever bind all, as well juſtified Perſon as others, to the Obedience thereof; *h* and that not only in regard of the matter contained in it; but alſo in reſpect of the Authority of God the Creator who gave it, *i* neither doth Chriſt in the Goſpel any way diſſolve, but much ſtrengthen this Obligation. *k*

h Rom. 13. 8, 9, 10. Eph. 6. 2. 1 John 2. 3, 4. 7, 8. *i* Jam. 2. 10, 11. *k* Mat. 5. 17, 18, 19. Jam. 2. 8. Rom. 3. 31.

2. Tho' Believers be not under the Law as a Covenant of Works, to be thereby juſtified or condemned; *l* yet it is of great uſe to them, as well as to others, in that, as a Rule of Life informing them of the Will of God, and their Duty, it directs, and binds them to walk accordingly; *m* diſcovering alſo the ſinful Pollutions of their Nature, Hearts and Lives; *n* ſo as examining themſelves thereby, they may come to further Conviction of, Humiliation for, and Hatred againſt Sin; *o* together with a clearer ſight of the need they have of Chriſt, and the Perfection

l Rom. 6. 14. Gal. 2. 16. Gal. 3. 13. Gal. 4. 4, 5. Act. 13. 39. Rom. 8. 1. *m* Rom. 7. 12, 22, 25. Pſal. 119. 4, 5, 6. 1 Cor. 7. 19. Gal. 5. 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23. *n* Rom. 7. 7. Rom. 3. 20. *o* Jam. 1. 23, 24, 25. Rom. 7. 9, 14, 24.

fection of his Obedience. *p* It is likewiſe of uſe to the Regenerate, to reſtrain their Corruptions, in that it forbids Sin, *q* and the Threatnings of it ſerve to ſhew what even their Sins deſerve, and what Afflictions in this Life they may expect for them, although freed from the Curſe thereof threatned in the Law. *r* The Promiſes of it in like manner ſhew them God's Approbation of Obedience, and what Bleſſings they may expect upon the performance thereof, *s* although not as due to them by the Law as a Covenant of Works; *t* ſo as a man's doing good, and refraining from evil, becauſe the Law encourageth to the one, and deterreth from the other, is no evidence of his being under the Law, and not under Grace. *u* *Chap.* 19. *Sect.* 5, 6.

p Gal. 3. 24. Rom. 7. 24, 25 Rom. 8. 3, 4.
q Jam. 2. 11. Pſa. 119. 101, 104, 128.
r Ezra 9. 13, 14. pſal 89. 30, 31, 32, 33, 34.
s Lev. 26. to v. 14. 2 Cor. 6. 16. Epheſ. 6. 2, 3. Pſal. 37. 11. Matth. 5. 5. Pſal. 19. 11.
t Gal. 2. 16. Luke 17. 10.
u Rom. 6. 12, 14. 1 pet. 3. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 pſal. 34. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16. Heb. 12. 28, 29.

IX. Of Chriſtian Liberty.

THey who upon pretence of Chriſtian Liberty do practiſe any ſin, or cheriſh any luſt, do thereby deſtroy the End of Chriſtian Liberty; which is, that being delivered out of the hands of our Enemies, we might ſerve the Lord without fear in Holineſs and Righteouſneſs before him all the days of our Life. *o* *Chap.* 20. *Sect.* 3.

o Gal. 5. 13. 1 pet. 2. 16. 2 pet. 2. 19. Joh. 8. 34. Luk. 1. 74, 75.

Tho' we have ſelected theſe *Propoſitions*, as conceiving them moſt accommodated to ſome Points at this time controverted: yet we profeſs to have an equal reſpect to all other the main parts of Doctrine, contained in the foremention'd, agreeable to the Word of God.

3. That we ſhall always, through God's gracious Aſſiſtance in our future Miniſtry, to our uttermoſt, avoid *all Appearances* of *Oppoſition* to one another, ſo as not to hinder, or prejudice; but as far as in us lies, to promote the Succeſs thereof, and the common Benefit thereby.

Decemb.

Decemb. 16. 1692. This day the Brethren who endeavoured to Accommodate this Controverſie, did with Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Chauncy*, and thoſe other five Brethren, who with him objected againſt Mr. *Williams* his Book, ſubſcribe to this Agreement, and theſe Doctrinal Propoſitions.

Daniel Williams. *Iſaac Chauncy.*

Samuel Anneſley	*John How*	*George Griffith*
Matthew Barker	*Vincent Alſop*	*Thomas Cole*
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The Concurrence of the United Miniſters.

On *Decemb.* 19. 1692. This Expedient was brought to a Meeting of the *United Miniſters*, who unanimouſly expreſſed their Approbation in the following words; *Viz.*

That thoſe Brethren, who at the deſire of the *United* Miniſters conſidered ſome Objections againſt Mr. *Williams* his Book, having brought in the above-mentioned Expedient for Accommodation of the Matters in Controverſie: The United Miniſters have weighed it, and approve of the ſame. Beſides, *it was further declared by them*, That whereas the *United* Miniſters *Collectively* conſidered, and *as ſuch*, have not been deſired to Approve of Mr. *Williams* his Book: In like manner, they do not by any thing in this Agreement imply an Approbation of Mr. *Chauncy* his Writings in this Controverſie: But yet they do rejoyce that both Mr. *Williams* and Mr. *Chauncy* have accepted this offer'd Expedient.

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